

BUSINESS

Bulk Fuel Distributors

TIP

TERRORISM INTERVENTION PROGRAM

What should I consider suspicious?

Suspicious People:

- New customer without a local address
- Unauthorized individuals in fuel storage areas
- Individuals surveilling the facility
- Individuals testing security measures or breaching facility perimeters

Suspicious Activities:

- Using cash for large transactions or a credit card in someone else's name
- Acting nervous or vague about reason for purchase/use of fuel
- Requesting delivery without an account
- Making unusually large purchases of fuel
- Requesting shipment of fuel to unusual location
- Exhibiting unfamiliarity with fuel handling and storage regulations
- Storing or transporting fuel in unusual locations or containers
- Making unusual inquiries about acquiring vehicles equipped for hauling fuel
- Using a rental vehicle or a vehicle with an out-of-state or temporary license plate to transport fuel
- Attempting to acquire official vehicles, uniforms, identification, and access cards
- Discovering unauthorized vehicles or other items that are out of place near fuel storage tanks

It is important to remember that just because someone's speech, actions, beliefs, appearance, or way of life is different, it does not mean that he or she is suspicious. Some of the activities, taken individually, could be innocent and must be examined by law enforcement professionals in a larger context to determine whether there is a basis to investigate.

What should I do?

IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING AN EMERGENCY OR A CRIME IN PROGRESS, CONTACT 911. IF YOU OR YOUR BUSINESS WERE THE VICTIM OF A CRIME, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT.

A partnership between the business community and law enforcement is essential to the success of anti-terrorism efforts.

You can support this partnership.

- Require valid ID from all new customers
- Keep records of purchases
- Report any missing or stolen fuel, vehicles, or other equipment to law enforcement authorities

Do not jeopardize your safety or the safety of others.

Your impressions and assessment, based on your professional / business experience, are extremely valuable and should help guide you in determining if a customer request, a fact pattern, or set of circumstances is unusual.

In addition to reporting suspicious activity to your local police department, you are encouraged to contact the Pennsylvania State Police Tip Line. This will enhance the statewide situational awareness and can potentially aid in the prevention of future terrorist acts through early identification and intervention.

To report suspicious activities to the PSP Tip Line at any time, call or email:

1-888-292-1919 sp-intelligence@state.pa.us